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Attached hereto is a check in the sum of \$750, which covers the \$700 Issue Fee, and a returned check processing fee of \$50, as requested in the notice.

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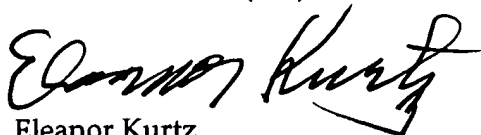
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